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Let's hope that we can we hear the feelings in our hearts...

You Lin was preparing to enter the Judo Tournament, and due to the lack of practice, she's believed to have regressed. She has to go back to the Girls' High to study...

Because of the partnership with an idol, Ya Qiao is being forced to leave aside his dream of traditional music ..

Even though the two of them are facing setbacks, they have both confessed. Will their love have a happy ending?

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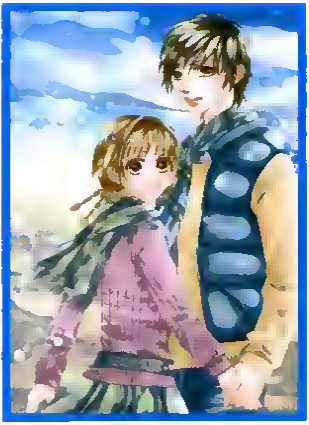

Thank you for all of your support for the final volume of Close To My Sweetheart.

Just like the happy ending of You Lin and Ya Qiao, I have enjoyed the completion of the third volume. With the start of another new year, I'm getting ready for the next project. Although this next one will be a long and historical work, I still wish to draw some modern stories in the future. So please show me your guidance and support!

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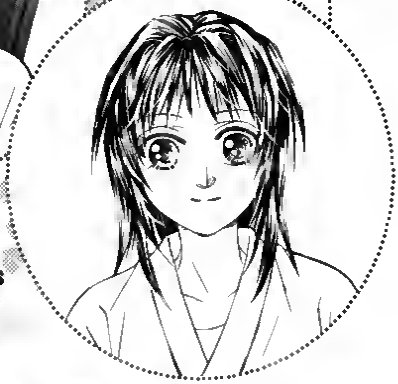
QU YOU LIN

KeeLee Girls' Senior High School, this year's Judo Champion.

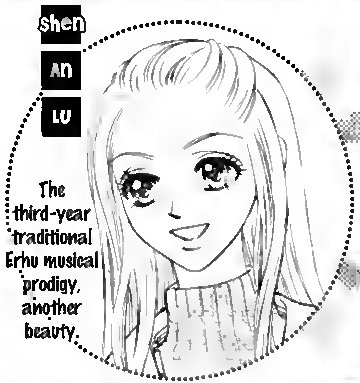


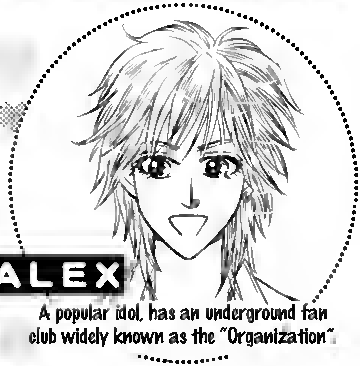
YAN YA QIAO

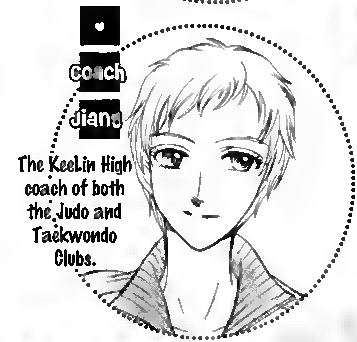
A traditional music genius of National KeeLin Senior High School, specializes in Erhu.

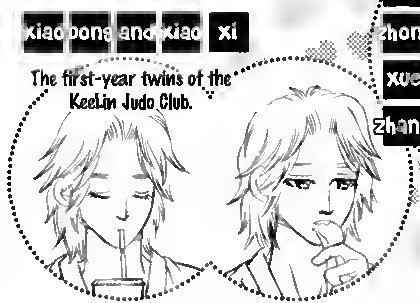
Recap of Last Episode

In the same school as You Lin, her senior Shen An Lu, is actually a master of traditional Erhu music performance, and she has a special identity, that of president of ALEX's fanclub, and it was later uncovered that she's ALEX's girlfriend. Shen An Lu is thinking of getting Ya Qiao to work with ALEX and, because of You Lin's encouragement, Ya Qiao accepts the offer. In the Judo club, Xiao Rui confessed to You Lin and, afraid that she might affect Xiao Rui during the tournament, You Lin didn't refuse him immediately. The coach found out and it became a very troublesome matter. You Lin was sent back for lessons at the Girls' High, but everyone came to find and bring her back. Because of Xiao Rui's performance during the tournament, You Lin decided to get back into the game, but because of the scandalous picture of ALEX and You Lin being published in the weekly magazine, Ya Qiao went to see ALEX.









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chapter 11
Love confession

YAN YA QIAO YOU CAME TO ME BECAUSE OF THIS?
ACCORDING TO THESE CIRCUM-STANCES...
IT'S OBVIOUS YOU ARRANGED THIS!
THERE'S ALWAYS A NEED TO HAVE SOME TOPIC GOING WHEN YOU RELEASE AN ALBUM.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO SERI-OUS!
THIS IS JUST GETTING FREE PUBLICITY, MY DEAR LITTLE FRIEND.

I'LL GO AND FIND OUT ABOUT THIS...
I ALREADY INFORMED THEM NOT TO PUBLISH SUCH A CLEAR PHOTO!
BUT YOU LIN'S UNDERAGE...
YOU... WHAT'RE YOU DOING?
Are there perverts around?
ARE YOU USING HER?

I will be clearing up this matter soon.
Don't make it sound so nasty!
You Lin's my fan, and she's also the president of the fan club
Just a simple explanation would be fine
Once the promotion week is over, nobody's gonna remember this
I won't snatch her from you
Besides you already know that my girlfriend is Xiao Lu!
So you depend on all these scandals to attract attention
Since you have the time to do this why don't you practice your singing more
Maybe without your voice, the company would do even better.
This rascal the way you talk is really mean

IN THE END
XIAO RUI WAS AWARDED THIRD PLACE
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE IN THIRD PLACE THIS MEANS THE CLUB WON'T BE DISMISSED!
THANKS TO XIAO RUI!
HAHA!
Xiao Rui..
Is incredible.
Even though he's not physically or technically up to standard yet..
But because of his efforts
he is able to achieve some results

HAVE YOU REALLY DECIDED TO GET BACK INTO THE GAME?
YES! I WANT TO TRY IT AGAIN.
IF YOU WANT TO GET BACK IN...
YOU ARE GOING TO WORK VERY HARD FROM NOW ON!
BUT SINCE YOU HAVE ALREADY SET YOUR MIND TO IT, IT'S BEST TO GIVE IT YOUR BEST SHOT!
YUP!
I too want...
to do my best in Judo.
Starting all over again for the tournament.

ALTHOUGH IN XUE JIE'S HEART, I AM NOT AS GOOD AS THE OTHER PERSON
BUT I'M STILL WAITING FOR A CHANCE!
BESIDES I'VE ALSO LEARNED SOMETHING NEW
YOU'VE BEEN WORKING HARD TOO XIAO RUI!
THANKS FOR YOUR GUIDANCE, COACH!
SO I STILL...
LIKE YOU LIN XUE JIE!
This is only the novice tournament!
DON'T GET TOO CARRIED AWAY KID!
I WILL BECOME THE STRONGEST MEMBER IN JUDO CLUB!
I WON'T LET COACH CHASE YOU AWAY, LIN XUE JIE!

Keelee Girls' High
HOW COME THERE'S THIS TYPE OF PHOTO?
星週刊
ME AND... ALEX... HIS LITTLE GIRLFRIEND?
After looking at this, Yan Ya Qiao won't misunderstand right?
YOU GUYS.
BESIDES WE KNOW WHO'S THE ONE YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT
YOU GUYS MUST HAVE BEEN FOLLOWED! THEY ARE BEST AT MAKING UP STORIES FROM PICTURES
YOU DON'T HAVE TO CARE TOO MUCH ABOUT THOSE GOSSIPS!
There are a lot of ALEX's fans here in our school..
This type of news is going to make a lot of people unhappy..
IT IS?
IT'S SAFER THAT WAY
BUT YOU SHOULD HAVE GONE TO KEELIN HIGH TO STUDY.

Organization's (ALEX's underground supporters) members.
I didn't even say that I wanted to join in the first place.
LIKE THIS. HOW DO YOU EVEN HAVE THE RIGHT TO JOIN OUR "ORGANIZATION"?
YOU ACTUALLY TRIED TO GET CLOSE TO ALEX BEHIND OUR BACK!
Especially...
QU YOU LIN! IS THAT PHOTO REAL?
YOU HAVE TO ACCEPT THE PUNISHMENT.
What?
STOP FOOLING AROUND!
I WILL DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO PUNISH HER.
An Lu Xue Jie! Thank goodness!
THAT IS A TOTAL MISUNDERSTANDING! I TOTALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT'S EXACTLY GOING ON!
ANYWAY, YOU DIDN'T LET US KNOW THAT YOU WERE WITH HIM
THIS IS AN ACT OF BETRAYAL TO OUR "ORGANIZATION"!

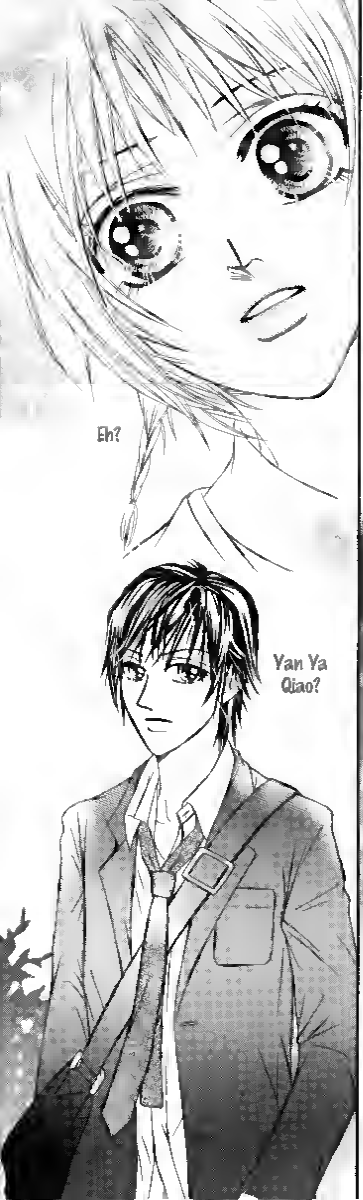
If that's the case then traitor she should be.
What? The one who's actually dating ALEX is YOU!

THIS IS REALLY GOING OVERBOARD!
YOU'RE ACTUALLY DATING ALEX..
TRAITOR!

BUT SHE'S ABLE TO DATE OUR IDOL, IT'S NOT BAD AT ALL.

I HAVE CHOSEN QU YOU LIN AS THE NEXT CHAIR-PERSON
FURTHERMORE, SHE'S THIS YEAR'S JUDO CHAMPION.
THINK ABOUT THAT BEFORE YOU PUNISH HER.

An Lu Xue Jie...
You can't possibly explain things for me this way!


Eh?
Yan Ya Qiao?

TODAY, YOU'LL GO BACK FIRST!
Seriously..
Why is An Lu Xue Jie's reaction like this?
Is it because she misunderstood me?

FOLLOW ME!
EH?
THERE'S A BUNCH OF REPORTERS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL GATE
IT'S BEST TO LEAVE FROM ANOTHER PLACE
THAT PHOTO IS A MISUNDERSTANDING!
Yan Ya Qiao... He knows about this?
I KNOW.
PLEASE DON'T MISUNDERSTAND ABOUT ME AND ALEX.

LET'S WAIT HERE FIRST!
AFTER A WHILE THE REPORTERS WILL THINK THAT YOU'VE GONE HOME
AND THEY'LL LEAVE
THAT'S SOMETHING ARRANGED BY THE COMPANY AS A TYPE OF PUBLICITY,
SO I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND

BOTH THE COMPANY AND ALEX WILL DEFINITELY DENY THAT THE BOTH OF YOU ARE DATING,
SO IT'LL ONLY BE A TEMPORARY NEWS STORY
BUT IT'S BECAUSE I'M CARELESS AS WELL
YOU DID REMIND ME TO BE CAREFUL
AND WHAT'S UNBELIEVABLE TO ME IS...
THAT THE KINDHEARTED ALEX WOULD ACTUALLY ARRANGE SOMETHING LIKE THIS...
WHY DID HE DO THIS?
I'M SO DISAPPOINTED...
I FEEL SO STUPID!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT ELSE THAT GUY DOES.

I'LL PROTECT YOU.
Eh?
What did he just say?
I'M INVOLVED IN THIS ALBUM TOO,
SO I'LL TAKE RESPONSIBILITY AS WELL!
HEY, YOU TWO!
THERE YOU ARE!
SHOCK!

WHY IS YAN YA QIAO COMING SO OFTEN TO OUR SCHOOL EVEN ON A DAY WHEN YOU DON'T NEED TO COME FOR LESSONS?
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU'VE ALREADY FALLEN IN LOVE WITH OUR GIRLS' SCHOOL?
THIS IS DEFINITELY GOING TO BE ON THE COVER!
QU YOU LIN IS NOT ONLY DATING AN ASIAN POP STAR,
BUT DATING THE PRINCE OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC AT THE SAME TIME...
XUE JIE!
THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT!
I ALREADY KNEW THAT
AN LU XUE JIE, I REALLY KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE PHOTO ..
SO .. I'M APOLOGIZING TO THE TWO OF YOU

IT'S NORMAL TO HAVE FAKE GOSSIP
Because everyone will be curious about this
SO... SINCE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE... MIGHT AS WELL FIND SOMEONE YOU KNOW?
BINGO...
WHEN ALEX IS RELEASING A NEW ALBUM, THE COMPANY HOPES TO STIR UP SOME PUBLICITY
SOMETHING SIMPLE THAT WILL MAKE EVERYONE CURIOUS...
BUT FOR XUE JIE...
IT'S REALLY UNFAIR!

XUE JIE IS HIS REAL GIRLFRIEND!
EVEN IF IT'S FALSE GOSSIP, YOU WON'T FEEL GOOD AT ALL!
HAS ALEX CONSIDERED XUE JIE'S FEELINGS?
IT JUST FEELS LIKE HE'S CHEATING ON YOU!
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THE GROUP RIGHT NOW!
BAD-MOUTHING ALEX IS AGAINST THE RULES OF THE GROUP
THE ALEX WHO STIRS THIS,
ISN'T THE PERSON I KNOW!
IN THE BEGINNING, I LIKED HIM AS AN IDOL —
BUT NOW, THE PERSON I LIKE IS A GREAT BOYFRIEND.
WITH HIM,
THERE'S ONLY THE HAPPINESS OF LOVE

I DON'T REALLY MIND ABOUT ALL THOSE THINGS
THE THOUGHT OF HAVING HIM ALL TO MYSELF...
Xue Jie being like this... it's so not like her
Perhaps this is the power of love..
But this isn't love.
XUE JIE...
I KNOW ANOTHER WAY OUT OF THE SCHOOL
COME WITH ME!

If Xue Jie doesn't mind...
then she wouldn't wish that it were someone whom she knows.
I'LL TAKE YOU TO HIM.
YOU CAME TO FIND ALEX?
HE'S BUSY AT THE MOMENT!
AND YOU GUYS JUST GOT YOURSELVES IN THE NEWS,
SO IT'S BEST NOT TO SEE EACH OTHER.
Yan Ya Qiao?
I KNOW WHERE HE IS.

OH, IT'S YOU!
I'M REHEARSING FOR THE CONCERT.
YOU LIN?
IF YAN TONG XUE IS WILLING TO DANCE AS WELL, I BET A LOT OF PEOPLE WILL LOVE IT!
I'M NOT INTERESTED!
DANCING?
ABOUT THE MAGAZINE...
SORRY FOR CAUSING YOU TROUBLE.
THIS IS JUST TEMPORARY GOSSIP.
BUT THERE WILL BE A NEW TOPIC SOON
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THESE...

AND GOSSIP IS THE EASIEST
EVERYBODY'S INTERESTED IN OUR "LOVE STORY"
WHEN NECESSARY, FAKE FIGHTS ACTING SICK OR FALSE CAR ACCIDENTS CAN HAPPEN
There's no need for that!
That's scary
PLEASE UNDERSTAND AN LU XUE JIE'S FEELINGS,
STOP CREATING THIS FALSE GOSSIP
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE
EVEN FOR A WELL-KNOWN SINGER,
YOU STILL NEED SOME PUBLICITY TO RAISE YOUR STATUS
XIAO LU UNDERSTANDS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS PUBLICITY AND KNOWS THAT IT'S FAKE
SO SHE WON'T MIND

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I CAME ACROSS A JUDO CHAMPION LIKE YOU
ACTUALLY IT'S FUN TO HAVE SOMEONE
This jerk...
NEXT SHOULD BE THE MOVIE'S FEMALE LEAD
WHAT?
THEN I'LL LET YOU KNOW.... THE DIFFERENCE OF A JUDO CHAMPION...

EVEN IF IT'S FAKE...
XUE JIE WILL STILL BE HURT!
BANG!
YOU IDIOT!
Gosh! What happened?

Cool?
IT'S COOL
BUT...
OF COURSE!
SERIOUSLY...
SUCH A FIERCE TIGRESS
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
IT HURTS!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE PROVOKED A JUDO CHAMPION...

ALEX
ALEX
New Song Release
Press Conference
LET'S WELCOME TODAY'S SPECIAL GUESTS
THE KING OF POP, ALEX!
AND TAKING PART IN HIS NEW SONG IS EKHU ARTIST, YAN YA QIAO!

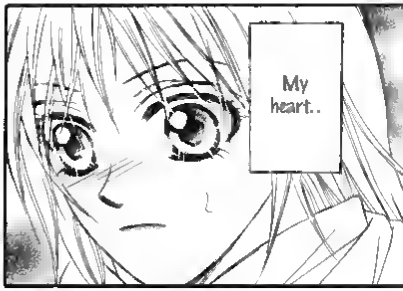
ALEX
THANK YOU!
I'LL TRY MY BEST TO ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS
REGARDING THE LIVE CONCERT...
WHY DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH YAN TONG XUE?
WHAT'S THE STYLE OF THE NEW SONGS..?
I'm still looking forward to it!
Though I didn't get the chance to sit at the guest seat
In the middle of acting unstable
Later we'll get to listen to the new song...
WE WOULD STILL LIKE TO KNOW...
ABOUT YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE JUDO GIRL
I wonder if I will be suspected
ALEX wants me to sit in the guest area
Is it really all right?

BUT TODAY I WOULD LIKE TO TELL EVERYONE..
I ALREADY HAVE SOMEONE WHOM I REALLY LOVE
ALEX?
OF COURSE THOSE STORIES AREN'T REAL
IT'S JUST A MISUNDER-STANDING
AND THAT'S MY SWEETHEART MY MOST PRECIOUS PERSON
I'VE BEEN MAKING HER WORRIED AND UNEASY

ALEX...
I WANT TO TELL HER...
THAT FROM NOW ON, SHE'LL BE THE ONLY ONE IN THE NEWS WITH ME ABOUT LOVE
That's great!

THE PRESS CONFERENCE HAS FINALLY ENDED!
WHAT ALEX SAID IS SO TOUCHING!
THE GUEST SEAT IS MORE SUITABLE FOR AN LU XUE JIE
LUCKILY I HAVE THE TICKETS IT'S JUST AWESOME!
JUST THAT...
SO SHE SHOULD BE FEELING BETTER NOW!
ACTUALLY AN LU HAS BEEN FEELING UNEASY
Even I can see that
WHAT'S GOING TO BE ON THE NEWS TOMORROW?!
THAT BASTARD!
Is he trying to stir up another controversy on purpose?
IT'S NOT TRUE SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT
PLEASE TELL US WHO'S THAT SPECIAL PERSON!
ALEX'S OPEN CONFESSION?
THIS...
CHAOTIC!
HELD TIGHT!
WHAT DO YOU GUYS THINK?

IN ORDER TO BE WITH HIM...
SHE HAS TO ENDURE A LOT OF THINGS.
THIS IS SO NOT LIKE HER.
BUT THAT GUY TREATS US LIKE HIS SHIELD.
TO PROTECT XIAO LU!
BECAUSE...
BUT...
I CAN PERFECTLY UNDERSTAND XUE JIE'S FEELING
Perhaps it's courage.
I LIKE YOU...
Perhaps it's impulse.



Even though it's not a big deal, it's the most important secret .

In the end, I still spill it out—

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chapter 12
honest feelings

KeeLin
Senior
High
Sigh..
I really don't feel like studying.
Today...

Just thinking about what happened that day...
How would i have the heart to study?
I LIKE YOU

I... Qu You Lin...
For the the first time confessing to a guy...
If the devil king is going to reject...
he'll be really fierce...
But..
what I see is the...
expression of someone who doesn't want to answer.

THIS... IS JUST HOW I FEEL...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TAKE IT TO HEART.
I'LL GO BACK FIRST!
GU
I think...
that is a very irritating expression!

WHAT'RE YOU DAY-DREAMING ABOUT?
THROW
YOU LIN!
I suddenly understand...
how Xiao Rui felt when I rejected him.
YOU TONG XUE...
QU YOU LIN TONG XUE...
QU YOU LIN TONG XUE!
WHACK!
IT'S SO UNLIKE YOU TO NOT PAY ATTENTION, YOU LIN!
AND THE TEACHER FORGOT THAT YOU'RE A GIRL SHE ACTUALLY THREW THE CHALK AT YOU!
I'M FINE I'M REALLY DAYDREAM-ING
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
NOTHING

SIGH
I apologize!
I'M JUST HAVING TROUBLE WITH THE JUDO CLUB...
MOREOVER, I'M GOING TO GET BACK INTO THE TOURNAMENT...
IS IT SOMETHING CONCERNING THE DEVIL KING YAN?
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM!
MY OPPONENT IS A PERFECT JUDO BEAUTY,
I HAVE TO PREPARE MYSELF PROPERLY...
THE PEOPLE FROM THE MINISTRY ARE COMING OVER TO SEE MY JUDO RESULTS!
I'M GOING TO BE LATE!
SEE YOU GUYS AROUND!
DID SHE JUST SAY A PERFECT JUDO BEAUTY?

KeeLee Girls' High
PRINCE QIAO...
HAS MADE THREE CONSECUTIVE MISTAKES...
AND HE WAS EVEN OUT OF TUNE...
GET THE PRESIDENT TO CORRECT HIM!
SHOW HIM YOUR POWER!
He's always getting mad at us...
There's finally a chance for us to scold him...
YAN TONG XUE, YOU'VE MADE A MISTAKE...
WHERE AM I WRONG?
Yeee~
STARE!

YOU'VE MADE A TON OF MISTAKES!
KNOCK!
THE SHEET MUSIC IS EVEN UPSIDE DOWN.
STOMP!
I CAME HERE SPECIALLY TO GUIDE YOU GUYS AS YOUR SENIOR.
AND SEE HOW YOU'RE NOT LIKE YOUR USUAL SELF.
How can you call yourself "senior"! You're not even a student of this school!
I'M the boss here!
An Lu Yue Jie stepped on Prince Qiao
You're acting like a gangster!
As your senior, I'm doing this for your own good.
ACTUALLY
I CAME HERE TO THANK YOU
WHAT KIND OF GRATITUDE IS THIS?

BECAUSE OF YOU GUYS, MY AND ALEX'S RELATIONSHIP IS GETTING BETTER!
I HAVE TO THANK YOU LIN TOO
LET'S GO FIND HER!
YOU CAN GO BY YOURSELF!
WHY ARE YOU BEING SO SHY?
DID SHE CONFESS TO YOU?
NOTHING
IT'S JUST THAT THIS ISN'T THE RIGHT TIME TO SEE HER.
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU GUYS?
How did you know?
Eh? Really?
I was just guessing
Guessing?
SO WHAT'S YOUR ANSWER?

I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING!
AH SERIOUSLY... YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY THAT SOMEONE LIKES AN EVIL MONSTER LIKE YOU!
HEY!
That's what it sounds like.
SO YOU'RE THINKING OF REJECTING HER?
IT MUST'VE TOOK A LOT OF COURAGE FOR YOU LIN TO CONFESS TO YOU
DON'T YOU WANT TO BE IN LOVE LIKE LIS?
JUST LOOK AT HOW SWEET ALEX AND I ARE
I definitely don't want to be like you guys.
EH?
SHE RAN AWAY BEFORE I COULD SAY ANTHING.
BESIDES, I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW I SHOULD ANSWER HER
ISN'T IT WEIRD THAT JUST A SIMPLE WORD CAN CHANGE OUR CURRENT RELATIONSHIP?

ANYWAY, I'M BUSY RIGHT NOW.
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO FALL IN LOVE
THE WAY YOU PERFORM IS VERY CREATIVE AND FRESH..
BUT THE WAY YOU THINK ABOUT LOVE IS SO OLD-FASHIONED
You're making excuses and saying, "There's no time." Just like an old man.
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO STOP INSULTING ME?
POOR YOU LIN... SHE MUST BE FEELING REALLY HURT RIGHT NOW.
IS SHE
YAN YA QIAO, PERFORMING ON THE ERHU IS NOT THE SAME AS FALLING IN LOVE
YOU DON'T HAVE TO FOLLOW THE SCORE!*
BE TRUE TO YOURSELF, HOW'S THAT?

THAT ONE SIMPLE WORD...
IS WHAT YOU LIN IS WAITING FOR TO CHANGE YOUR RELATIONSHIP...
AND IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT TOO...
Be true...
to yourself..
JUST ACCEPT IT!

WHY....
I want to be in the front!
Stop pushing!
ARE THERE SO MANY PEOPLE TODAY?
基林柔道
BUT TODAY'S COMPETITION IS IMPORTANT TO XUE JIE!
SHE DEFINITELY NEEDS OUR SUPPORT!
基林柔道
BECAUSE EVERYONE IS HERE FOR THE JUDO BABE COMPETITION.
?
THE PERFECT JUDO BEAUTY!
BABE?
Is there?

YES!
GO AND GREET THE PEOPLE!
They came here to see the result of the exchange program.
At the same time, they're here to see if I have the ability to represent the town in competition...
GOOD LUCK, YOU LIN!
I'm secretary Xie.
I have to do my best!
SO...
LETS WELCOME A COMPETITOR ON THE SAME LEVEL AS YOU LIN, CHEN TONG XUE!
Here she comes... the Perfect Judo Beauty...

Perfect... Beauty?
It's a guy, right?
CURRENTLY STUDYING IN TAIPEI ZHONG XIN GIRLS' HIGH, CHEN XIN XIN TONG XUE.
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, QU YOU LIN
We've competed with each other in quite a few matches...
Chen Xin Xin...

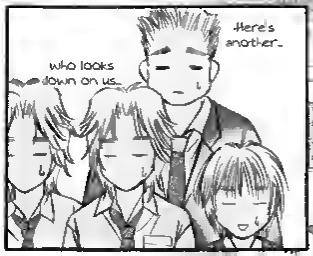
Eh?
The speed of my legs is slowing down..
And my body's getting heavier...
I just have to bring out my normal level...
I'll be able to win!

I don't think I can catch up...
Oh no!
BANG!
SHE'S BEEN PINNED!

How can it be...
STAND UP! THAT'S CLOSE...
I've regressed.
and I already know that...
The competition hasn't ended yet...

THOUGH THE MEMBERS SAID THAT YOU'VE REGRESSED.
I THINK IT'S BECAUSE CHEN TONG XUE HAS BECOME STRONGER!
IT'S ALL BECAUSE I DIDN'T PRACTICE.
I'M REALLY SORRY.
BUT IT REALLY IS THAT I'VE REGRESSED.
THANKS FOR SAYING THAT...
SO IF YOU'D LIKE TO TRANSFER TO THE SCHOOL IN TAIPEI, I WON'T STOP YOU ANYMORE
THOUGH I REALLY WANT YOU TO REPRESENT OUR TOWN IN THE COMPETITION...
YOU LIN. IT ISN'T YOUR FAULT.
I CAN'T INTERFERE WITH YOUR FUTURE...
KEELIN SENIOR HIGH CANNOT HELP YOU IMPROVE YOUR JUDO STANDARD.
THE REASON THAT YOU'VE REGRESSED IS ALL BECAUSE OF THE KEELIN JUDO CLUB
Coach told me all about it

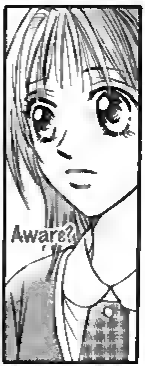
YOU LIN XUE JIE!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE TOO UPSET! THIS IS A VERY INTERESTING COMPETITION!
YOU'LL DEFINITELY BECOME STRONGER,
SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT TOMBOY!
THANK YOU!
SO THE REASON YOU REGRESSED IS ALL BECAUSE OF THEM
it's been fun training with you guys...
Even though I've regressed..


Here's another...
who looks down on us...

MOREOVER YOU'RE STAYING IN AN ALL BOYS SCHOOL
AS A LADY, ARE YOU NOT AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS?

YOU SPEND THE WHOLE DAY TRAINING WITH THE UNTALENTED PEOPLE,
NO WONDER YOU REGRESSED.

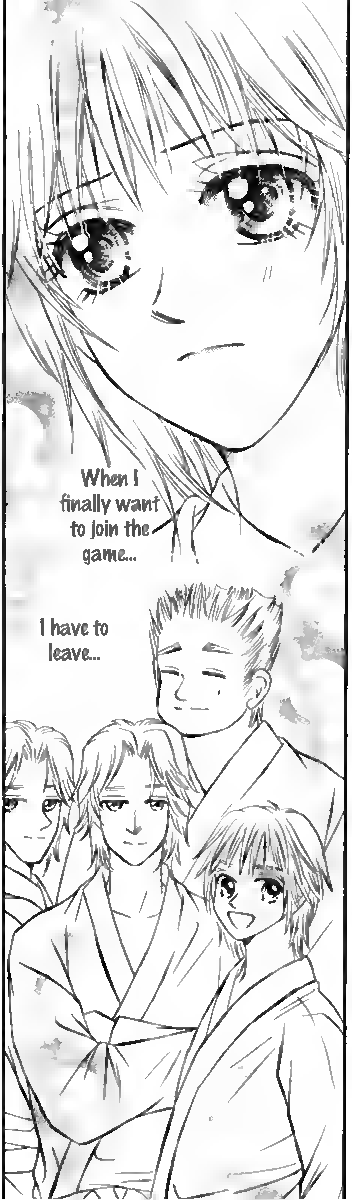
FLIP!


Aware?

You should wear sports attire.
THIS KIND OF THING WILL HAPPEN
Chen Xin Xin!
See, see that?
NOBODY WOULD BE SO CHILDISH!
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE BEEN HARASSED IN AN ALL BOYS' SCHOOL...
AND IT WAS BY A GIRL...
THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME THAT I HAVE A COMPETITION AT THE SAME LEVEL WITH YOU.
TO BE HONEST, I'M REALLY DISAPPOINTED IN YOU.
The last time?
EH?

I'VE DECIDED TO BECOME A PROFESSIONAL JUDO ATHLETE.
SO I HAVE TO GAIN 20 MORE KILOGRAMS.
20kg?
IN AROUND HILLS
CHEN TONG XUE.
MY DREAM IS TO BECOME THE BEST JUDO ATHLETE.
SO I HAVE TO IMPROVE NOW.
IF YOU WANT TO MAINTAIN YOUR CHAMPIONSHIP,
YOU KNOW WHAT YOU SHOULD DO
SEE YA, QU YOU LIN

SHE LEFT...
HOW CAN SHE BE THE 'PERFECT JUDO BEAUTY' THAT YOU TALK ABOUT...
She's even thinking of gaining 20Kg.
SHE'S DEFINITELY THE PERFECT JUDO BEAUTY
Chen Xin Xin...
we competed against each other a lot..
I didn't know that she was so dedicated to Judo
EVERYONE CALLS HER PERFECT BEAUTY IN THE JUDO WORLD...
BECAUSE OF HER PHYSIQUE AND TECHNIQUE...
But I...
She didn't even relax for a moment.
She must have been training non-stop...


When I finally want to join the game...
I have to leave...

National KeeLin Senior High School

In order to improve my Judo standard...
will I have to transfer schools?

Coach initially told me that there's no opponent that I can train with in KeeLin High...
It wasn't suitable for me to train my Judo here.

Yan Ya Qiao?
He's here...
is he waiting for me?
I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU
I HEARD ABOUT IT
I KNOW WHAT HAPPENED IN THE JUDO CLUB TODAY

What is he going to tell me?
Yan Ya Qiao
I won't be able to see him often.
If I'm going to transfer to Taipei.
Even if I were to quietly admire him... it would be hard as well...
Could it be he's going to reject me?
Do I have to give up so much...
in order to excel in Judo?
YAN YA QIAO...
LET'S TALK ABOUT IT ANOTHER DAY!

BECAUSE I'M NOT IN THE MOOD TODAY
IS IT BECAUSE OF THE COMPETITION EARLIER?
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO CARE
ABOUT THAT LOSING MOMENT?
YOU LOST IT WAS JUST A LITTLE FAILURE.
WHY IS THERE ANY NEED TO FEEL UPSET?
THERE'S NO NEED TO WASTE TIME
Yan Ya Qiao ..

This person...
is really...
YAN YA QIAO...
OF COURSE YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND
EVERYONE ADMIRES YOU AS A TRADITIONAL MUSIC GENIUS,
YOU'RE ALWAYS SO CONFIDENT.
I PRACTICE JUDO,
I CAN ONLY WORK HARD TO BE GOOD
Hey!
HOW CAN I NOT CARE?
EVEN THOUGH IT WAS ONLY A SINGLE MOMENT,
WHEN I LOST, ALL OF THE HARD WORK THAT I'VE DONE ALL OF THIS TIME DIDN'T MEAN ANYTHING!

IT LOOKS LIKE WHEN I'M WITH YOU...
THEN I CAN HONESTLY THINK OF MY TRUE FEELINGS
IT'S JUST THAT... I FEEL REALLY SAD.
Are you crying because of what I said?
NO...
EVERYBODY'S COMFORTING ME...
SO I DON'T DARE SHOW MY SADNESS IN FRONT OF THEM...
When it comes to your feelings...
be more honest with yourself.
QU YOU LIN...

I'M ALWAYS... I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD SAY...
I'M AFRAID THAT YOU MIGHT MISUNDERSTAND ME.
SO ON THAT DAY, I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO YOU.
Afraid that I...
will misunderstand?
NO MATTER HOW DIFFICULT THE MUSIC IS, I CAN ALWAYS PLAY IT WITH EASE.
BUT FOR SUCH A SIMPLE FEELING.
I CAN'T EVEN FIND THE WORDS TO SAY
SO...
RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU
I WOULD LIKE TO BE HONEST WITH MY FEELINGS

BECAUSE I LIKE YOU TOO
Yan Ya Qiao...
likes me too?
WOULD YOU...
BE MY GIRLFRIEND?
ACTUALLY, ON THAT DAY...
I WAS GOING TO SAY THAT TO YOU!

Falling in love makes people happy yet makes you feel like crying...
It feels like...
from deep inside...
Why are you crying?
Is it because I said something wrong again?

Chapter 13
Towards The Dream

This is just like a dream...
Yan Ya Qiao said
He likes me too?

From that dream like day
It's already been one week
Senior High School
MORNING GUYS!
MORNING, YOU LIN!
YOU HAVE TO GO TO JUDO PRACTICE THIS MORNING! I'LL HELP YOU KEEP YOUR NOTES.
GOOD LUCK!
Because I have regressed,
everybody keeps encouraging me.
HMM!

But right now...
What I'm more concerned with is..
The competition and training
are very important
Every second of every minute, I'm always thinking
what is he doing right now?
KeeLee Girls High Traditional Music class
START FROM THE BEGINNING AGAIN!

PRINCE QIAO IS STILL AS STRICT...
BUT DID YOU SEE THAT?
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SAY THIS! DIZI, YOU 'RE TOO SHARP!
YES!
SLING!
PIPA, STOP MAKING MISTAKES!
SORRY!
SO.. SO MANY LITTLE FLOWERS ARE FLOATING ..
IT FEELS SO WEIRD
IS HE ALL RIGHT? IT HAS ALREADY BEEN QUITE A FEW DAYS NOW...
ERM... YAN YA QIAO TONG XUE...
THE NORTH COMPETITION FOR CHINESE ORCHESTRA IS COMING UP...
CAN YOU STAY AND HELP US?
SEEK THE TEACHERS FOR HELP! I HAVE TO GO BACK

OVER HERE!
DID YOU WAIT VERY LONG?
NOPE
I SAID I WOULD GO HOME ON TIME...
Oh, mommy! This is scary!
Smile... Did Prince Qiao just smile?

We promised that when going to school and home..
we'll try to take the same train.
HOW WAS TODAY'S TRAINING?
THE COACH TRAINED WITH ME PERSONALLY, SO IT'S NOT TOO BAD
AND YOU?
THE TEACHER THREW THE WHOLE GROUP TO ME!
WHAT THE!
HAHA!
And the topic of our conversation..
is about what happened in school today
BUT SINCE THEY'RE ENTERING THE COMPETITION
THEY REALLY NEED TO PRACTICE HARDER
These things may not be what others will talk about when they are in a relationship...

Record Company
SO YOU'RE DATING YOU LIN?
SQUIRT!
I wasn't going to tell anybody at first
HOW DID YOU KNOW? DID SHE TELL YOU?
IT'S STILL A HUNDRED YEARS TOO EARLY TO THINK OF HIDING IT FROM ME.
But I'm still happy.
It would be even better if we can see each other everyday in school...

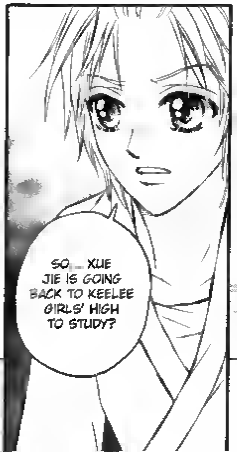
CAN YOU STOP ACTING LOVEY-DOVEY IN FRONT OF ME...
XIAO LU, I THINK OF SEEING YOU EVERY SECOND!
ME TOO I WAS JUST GOING TO FLY OVER TO TELL YOU...
XIAO LU! YAN YA QIAO!
SO YOU GUYS ARE HERE!
EH? DON'T YOU AND YOU LIN HUG? THEN WHAT ABOUT KISSING?
THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!
BUT I CAME HERE TO SAY THIS!
WE WILL BE USING OUR SONG AS THE OPENING OF THE TOUR CONCERT!
YAN TONG XUE WILL BE PERFORMING AS WELL!
THAT'S AWESOME!
I'M NOT INTERESTED!
WITH YOUR PERSONALITY, YOU GUYS ONLY TALK ABOUT REALLY BORING STUFF, RIGHT?
IS IT...
IF YOU DON'T SHOW SOME AFFECTION, YOUR GIRLFRIEND WILL THINK THAT YOU DON'T LIKE HER!

I KNEW YOU'D SAY THAT
BUT WE'VE ALREADY SIGNED THE CONTRACT
IF IT DOESN'T AFFECT YOUR STUDIES, YOU WILL HAVE TO COOPERATE!
This bastard.
ANYWAY, YOU HAVE TO COME TO REHEARSAL NEXT SUNDAY!
I'M NOT FREE ON SUNDAY
OH- A DATE!
IT'S NOT!
I HAVE...
TO DO SOMETHING ELSE

THERE'S A VERY EXPERIENCED COACH COMING HERE TO SET UP A DOJO
HE USED TO TRAIN A LOT OF OUTSTANDING JUDO ATHLETES.
AS FOR THE FEE, THE MINISTRY WILL TAKE CARE OF IT.
TRAIN AT A PRIVATE DOJO?
So this means...
I can continue to study at KeeLee High
and still train at the same time?
GO BACK AND THINK ABOUT IT!
SO YOU WON'T HAVE TO TRANSFER TO TAIPEI
THE DOJO IS PRETTY CLOSE TO KEELEE HIGH.

But
how am I going to tell the others in Judo
I'll be able to see Ya Qiao every day
Coach Jiang says that...
there are a lot of outstanding athletes training there.
and if I train with them, I will definitely become better.
Besides
if I go back to KeeLee

GO TO A DOJO FOR TRAINING?
BECAUSE I'M ENTERING THE YALI JUDO TOURNAMENT
AND THE TIME IS SHORT, SO I HAVE TO TRAIN INTENSIVELY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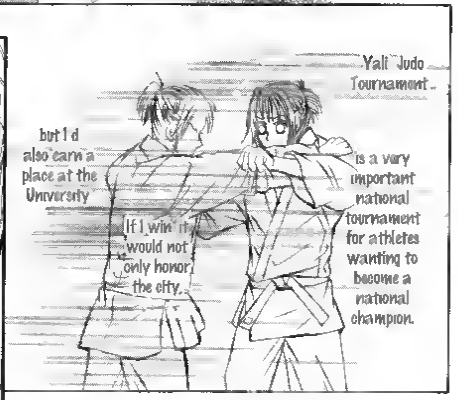
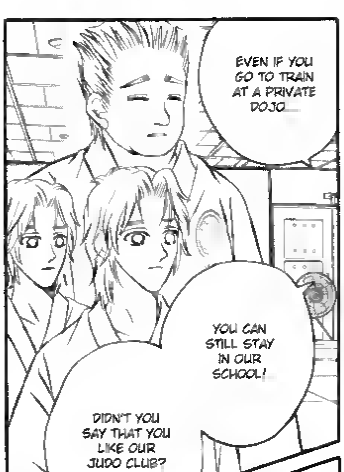

Yali Judo Tournament..
is a very important national tournament for athletes wanting to become a national champion.
If I win it would not only honor the city,
but I'd also earn a place at the University


EVEN IF YOU GO TO TRAIN AT A PRIVATE DOJO...
YOU CAN STILL STAY IN OUR SCHOOL!
DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT YOU LIKE OUR JUDO CLUB?

XIAO RUI!

ACTUALLY...
BEFORE WINTER BREAK...
IT'S MORE CONVENIENT TO GO BACK TO GIRLS' HIGH TO STUDY
IT'S FOR YAN YA QIAO XUE ZHANG!
TO BE ABLE TO BE WITH HIM EVERY DAY
YOU TOO, FOR THE SAKE OF LOVE,
HAVE BECOME SELFISH!

IF YOU WANT TO GO BACK, THEN GO!
SUIT YOURSELF!
I DON'T CARE ANYMORE!
XIAO RUI'S ACTING LIKE THAT...
BECAUSE HE STILL LIKES YOU!
WE UNDER-STAND!
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO IMPROVE IF YOU STAY HERE.
XIAO RUI!!

Though everybody's saying that
Xiao Rui did say one thing right...
I am leaving KeeLin Judo Club because I want to be with Ya Qiao...
What I'm doing...
is like betraying everyone.
YOU HAVE ALREADY HELPED US A LOT
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOUR DECISION IS.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT XIAO RUI!

Hua Yin Traditional Music Performing Group
Audition for Members
Interview Notice
Hua Yin Traditional Music Performing Group...
is one of the best national performing music groups.
if I can join them

IT'S WRONG AGAIN! START ONE MORE TIME!
SORRY
I'M TOO NERVOUS
THE COMPETITION IS COMING SOON...
AND EVERYBODY'S MAKING MORE MISTAKES!
IT'S OKAY TO BE NERVOUS
Prince Xiao Qiao?
I GET NERVOUS IN COMPETITIONS AS WELL
JUST GIVE YOUR BEST PERFORMANCE
THE COMPETITION HASN'T EVEN STARTED YET. WHAT ARE YOU GETTING NERVOUS FOR!
THIS ISN'T GOOD AT ALL!
SORRY

YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN PRACTICING NON-STOP.
AND YOU'VE IMPROVED COMPARED TO WHEN I FIRST CAME.
THE WAY YOU GUYS UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER IN A GROUP,
MAKES ME UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING TOGETHER
Prince Xiao Qiao...
is.
praising us?
PRINCE XIAO QIAO!
You're such a great person!
Let go of me!
We've misunderstood you!
From now on, we won't call you the Devil King!

AH! GOOD MORNING!
YOU LIN...
QU YOU LIN!
WHAT'S WRONG?
NOTHING...
JUST THINKING OF SOMETHING...
THE WEATHER IS REALLY GOOD TODAY!
LET'S TAKE A WALK!
EH? A WALK?

This...
I've never skipped class before...
But
When we're together like this...
it's like a date!
SO YOU'RE ENTERING THE YA! JUDO TOURNAMENT?
YUP!
IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT TOURNAMENT, SO I WANT TO ENTER
COACH WANTS ME TO GO TO A PRIVATE DOJO TO TRAIN
THEN I DON'T HAVE TO TRANSFER, AND I CAN STAY AT THE GIRLS' HIGH

"A FEW INTIMATE ACTS WILL LET HER KNOW THAT YOU TRULY LIKE HER!"
"YOU HAVE TO BE MORE CONSIDERATE! YAN YA GIAO!"
SO I'M VERY UPSET
LAST TIME I WAS DETERMINED TO STAY IN KEELIN JUDO CLUB...
AND NOW IT'S LIKE BETRAYING THEM
I'm not going to act like them!
Why am I listening to those two?
Wait a minute!
SINCE YOU'RE SO CONCERNED...
STAY IN KEELIN THEN!
THEN GO TO THE DOJO AT NIGHT
I CAN GO WITH YOU!

He also thinks that I should stay in Keelin' Senior High
But
YEAH BUT...
I WAS ONLY THINKING THAT...
IF I GO BACK TO GIRLS' HIGH...
THEN...
I'LL BE ABLE TO SEE YOU EVERYDAY
I'm not the type that likes to hug and all that
But...
I REALLY ENVY THEM
ALL MY CLASSMATES ARE IN THE SAME CLASS

I really
want to hug her

I wish to see you everyday...
Me, too..
I WON'T HAVE TO GO TO THE GIRLS' SCHOOL
IF I AM ABLE TO PASS THE INTERVIEW,
SO I SUBMITTED MY APPLICATION FOR THE HUA YIN TRADITIONAL MUSIC PERFORMING GROUP'S INTERVIEW...
HONESTLY, I...
WISH TO GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL AS YOU TOO
Both of us...
are thinking along the same lines...
So happy!

Goal...
Ya Qiao's eyes are shining...
TO BE ABLE TO JOIN SUCH A WONDERFUL PERFORMING GROUP,
THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN MY GOAL
HUA YIN TRADITIONAL MUSIC PERFORMING GROUP IS VERY FAMOUS!
THAT'S RIGHT,
I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO JOIN THEM
Working towards a dream,
is a great thing!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO LEAVE KEELIN JUDO CLUB, THEN STAY!
I'LL GO BACK TO KEELIN HIGH
I

I WANT TO GO TO THE DOJO TO TRAIN
AND I ALSO WANT TO GO BACK TO GIRLS' HIGH TO STUDY
BUT SINCE I'M GOING TO ENTER THE TOURNAMENT,
I SHOULD GIVE IT MY ALL
AREN'T YOU ALSO WORKING HARD TOWARDS YOUR DESTINATION?
I TOO WANT TO BE LIKE YAN TONG XUE, PURSUING "A NEW POSSIBILITY"
Don't say what I said!
YUP
IF THAT'S THE CASE...
THEN WE WON'T BE ABLE TO BE IN THE SAME CLASS ANYMORE

BUT YOU'RE MY GIRLFRIEND,
SO IT'S FINE

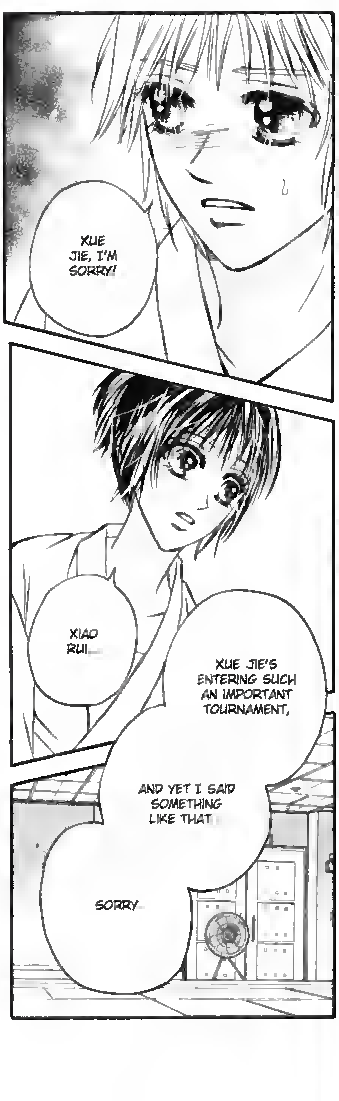
REALLY?
I forgot that we are skipping class
WE SHOULD GET GOING
IT SHOULD BE THE END OF FIRST PERIOD RIGHT NOW!

LET'S GO!

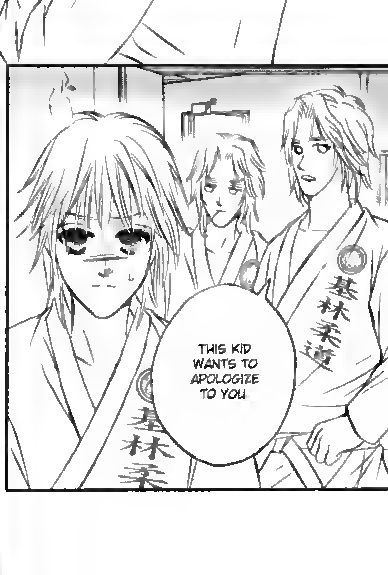
PULL!

I DON'T!
YOU DON'T LIKE OTHER PEOPLE TOUCHING YOU!
HEY...
SORRY! I JUST...

I see a different Yan Ya Qiao.
In our sweet love story...


XUE JIE, I'M SORRY!
XIAO RUI...
XUE JIE'S ENTERING SUCH AN IMPORTANT TOURNAMENT,
AND YET I SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT
SORRY...

YOU LIN!


THIS KID WANTS TO APOLOGIZE TO YOU.
基林柔道

YOU HAVE DONE SO MUCH FOR OUR JUDO CLUB
AND I AM BEING SO WILLFUL...
XIAO RUI!
I SHOULD BE THE ONE TO THANK YOU GUYS...
IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR ALL OF YOU, I WOULD HAVE GIVEN UP JUDO ENTIRELY
WHEN I CAME HERE MY PASSION FOR JUDO HAD ALREADY DISAPPEARED
BUT EVERYBODY'S BEEN SO HELPFUL, ESPECIALLY XIAO RUI, WHO'S BEEN WORKING SO HARD,
ENCOURAGING ME TO GET BACK INTO THE GAME!
SO I HAVE ALREADY DECIDED

No matter where I go..
I still like KeeLin Judo club the most!
I'M GOING TO WEAR THIS UNIFORM TO THE TOURNAMENT!
I'LL BE REPRESENTING KEELIN JUDO CLUB IN YAL JUDO TOURNAMENT!
XUE JIE

THOUGH YAN TONG XUE IS ONLY IN HIGH SCHOOL,
YOUR ERHU PLAYING IS VERY PROFESSIONAL
AND YOU HAVE ALSO WON A LOT OF AWARDS
SO WE WELCOME YOUR MEMBERSHIP.
THANK YOU!
I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO JOIN HUA YIN TRADITIONAL MUSIC PERFORMING GROUP.
BUT THERE'S A SLIGHT PROBLEM THAT
WE HOPE YOU WILL TAKE NOTE OF.

THAT IS YOU PLAYING AS AN ACCOMPANIMENT FOR A POP SINGER
THIS IS CREATING QUITE A PROBLEM.
WE DON'T WANT OUR MEMBERS TO DO A PERFORMANCE LIKE THAT.
THIS IS AGAINST OUR TRADITION
SO IF YOU WISH TO JOIN US...
PLEASE STOP THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SINGER

Chapter 14

Concern And The Distance

Farewell!!
To You Lin going back to KeeLee Girls' High!
Yuli Judo Tournament absolute champion!
FAREWELL TO YOU LIN, GOING BACK TO KEELEE GIRLS' HIGH!
THANK YOU!

BUT YOU CAN STILL COME BACK ANYTIME TO USE THE JUDO CLASS-ROOM.
THE SCHOOL HAS ALREADY AGREED!
XUE JIE MUST STILL COME BACK OFTEN!
NO PROBLEM!
SINCE YOUR CLASS ALSO PLANNED A FAREWELL PARTY,
WE DID OURS FIRST.
THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU!
I'm bringing more passion for Judo with me as I leave.
Though I'll be leaving KeeLun Judo club
I've decided to go back to the girls' highschool,
and train at the private Dojo.

REPRESENTING KEELIN JUDO CLUB AND WIN THE YALI JUDO TOURNAMENT!
I WILL DO MY BEST.
MONITOR?
EH?
BESIDES WE'LL ALSO MONITOR XUE JIE'S TRAINING.
THAT'S FOR SURE, YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO DISGRACE US!
Though we didn't win before.
WE TOO, HAVE REGISTERED AT THE SAME PRIVATE DOJO!

ONCE XUE JIE LEAVES, THERE WON'T BE ANYONE TO GUIDE US
FURTHERMORE, COACH HAS GONE TO TRAIN THE TAEKWANDO CLUB
Taekwando Club
The tournaments are coming up, so I don't have time to be with you guys
SINCE IT'S A PRIVATE DOJO, WE'RE ALLOWED TO REGISTER AS WELL!
REGISTERED?
THAT'S GREAT!
NOW WE CAN TRAIN TOGETHER AGAIN!
Really ..
Thank you ..

YA QIAO
YAN YA QIAO!
AH...
IT'S SO UNLIKE YOU TO DAYDREAM!
ARE YOU READY TO GO BACK TO KEELEE GIRLS' HIGH?
YUP, SECRETARY XIE HAS ALREADY ARRANGED EVERYTHING
THE TRAINING AT THE PRIVATE DOJO WILL START NEXT WEEK
HOW WAS YOUR INTERVIEW?

HOW'S THAT POSSIBLE...
IT'S ALRIGHT
THIS KIND OF THING IS NORMAL
I DIDN'T GET IN...
Eh?
BUT...
WAIT TILL I GRADUATE!
THERE'S STILL A CHANCE IN THE FUTURE.

THEN... I'LL SEE YOU AFTER SCHOOL!
BEFORE THE COMPETITION STARTS FOR THE TRADITIONAL MUSIC CLASS, I'LL STILL BE STUDYING AT KEELEE GIRLS' HIGH
THEN WE'LL GET TO GO TO SCHOOL TOGETHER.
Badu, Badu Station...
IT'S YOUR STOP
UM...

This is so unexpected... Ya Qiao wasn't chosen.
That's his dream.
He must be very disappointed right now!
Although we can go to the same school...
I don't feel happy at all

I'M SORRY YOU LIN YAN YA QIAO HAS TO STAY IN OUR SCHOOL..
BECAUSE OF THE COMPETITION THAT'S AROUND THE CORNER, HE WAS ASKED TO HELP OUT
IT'S OKAY!
I USED UP A LOT OF ENERGY TO GET HIM TO STAY!
SINCE THE HUA YI TRADITIONAL MUSIC PERFORMING GROUP DIDN'T CHOOSE HIM,
I'M WORRIED ABOUT HIS FEELINGS...

I've found the reason
I HEARD THAT THEY DON'T WANT HIM TO GET INVOLVED IN ALEX'S PERFORMANCE
HUA YI TRADITIONAL MUSIC GROUP DIDN'T "NOT CHOOSE" HIM.
THEY HOPE THAT HE'LL WITHDRAW FROM A NON-TRADITIONAL PERFORMANCE.
ACTUALLY, IT'S NOT REALLY THAT HE WASN'T CHOSEN...
EH?
THOUGH YAN YA QIAO IS ONLY A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT,
THEY STILL HOPE THAT HE WILL JOIN THEM.
So this...
They actually look down on ALEX!
SUCH AN OLD FASHIONED MUSIC GROUP!
I'M NOT INTERESTED AT ALL!
is what's happening

Because he likes it...
Because I'm his girlfriend...
I want to do something for him.
YOU CAN GET CLOSE TO HIM BUT YOU'RE STILL UNDERAGE...
YOU'RE THINKING TOO FAR AHEAD!
BUT TO JOIN THE MUSIC GROUP...
IS YA QIAO'S DREAM...
HE DIDN'T TELL ME ANYTHING ABOUT THIS...
WE ARE BOYFRIEND AND GIRL-FRIEND, RIGHT?
WHY IS IT THAT THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME KIND OF DISTANCE?

YOU LIN! LONG TIME NO SEE!
MR ALEX.
JUST CALL ME ALEX!
NICE, I WANTED TO GIVE YOU THESES CONCERT TICKETS!
YOU MUST COME!
WITHDRAW FROM THE CONCERT?
YOU WANT YAN YA QIAO TO WITHDRAW FROM THE CONCERT?
THANKS
BUT THIS ISN'T WHAT I CAME HERE FOR...

BUT IF HE'S GOING TO PERFORM WITH YOU...
HE WON'T BE ABLE TO JOIN THE MUSIC GROUP OF HIS DREAMS
I KNOW ABOUT THE CONTRACT AND STUFF...
WHY?
YOU LIN...
DID YOU ASK YAN YA QIAO FIRST?
SO I HOPE YOU WILL HELP...
YOU DIDN'T?
THEN I'M REALLY SORRY!
I CAN'T AGREE
BUT...

I BELIEVE THAT HE THINKS LIKEWISE,
I'M SORRY, YOU LIN
HE WANTS TO PUT ON THE BEST SHOW
WE HAVE REHEARSED FOR A VERY LONG TIME
I REALLY LIKE YAN YA QIAO'S PERFORMANCE
THAT'S WHY I ASKED HIM TO WORK WITH ME
THIS CONCERT IS MY DREAM TOO

ALL RIGHT!
IF YAN YA QIAO WANTS TO WITHDRAW,
I'LL THINK OF SOMETHING ELSE.
THIS IS YOUR CONCERT, NOT HIS!
TO HIM, THIS MUST BE A RARE CHANCE.
TO BE ABLE TO JOIN HIS MOST FAVORITE MUSIC-PERFORMING GROUP.
THANK YOU!!
I WILL ASK HIM TO COME AND TALK TO YOU!!
NO NEED FOR THAT!

I WON'T WITHDRAW FROM THE CONCERT
YA QIAO
BUT THIS
YOU ARE MEDDLING INTO OTHER'S BUSINESS AGAIN!
WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO STOP THIS HABIT?

I KNOW
IT'S A PITY IF YOU RE GOING TO MISS THIS CHANCE...
BUT... DIDN'T YOU ALWAYS WANT TO JOIN THE HUA YI TRADITIONAL MUSIC PER-FORMING GROUP?
I DO WANT TO JOIN THEM...
BUT I WANT TO PERFORM FOR THEM.
LET THEM KNOW THAT EVEN IF IT'S NOT A TRADITIONAL PERFORMANCE, IT CAN STILL BE AS INTERESTING...
SO I WANT TO MAKE GOOD USE OF THIS CHANCE TO SHOW THEM MY ABILITY.
THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN GETTING INTO THE GROUP.

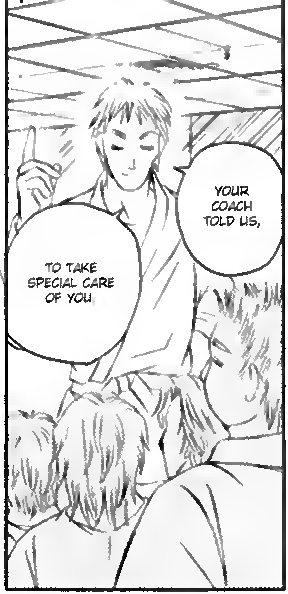
YAN YA QIAO!
That's too much!
SO PLEASE DON'T MAKE YOUR OWN DECISIONS OVER MY MATTERS
I WOULD NOT MEDDLE IN YOUR STUFF
JUST LIKE HOW I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT JUDO.
BECAUSE YOU'RE..
IT'S TRUE THAT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND ERHU..
BUT I DON'T WANT TO KNOW NOTHING ABOUT YOU!
SOMEONE I CARE ABOUT THE MOST!

BECAUSE I'M YOUR GIRLFRIEND,
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO CARE MORE ABOUT YOU!
AND HERE YOU ARE SAYING THAT I'M A BUSYBODY...
WHY IS IT THAT YOU WON'T TELL ME ABOUT YOUR STUFF!
YOU LIN!

*SHOULDER THROW IS A JUDO THROWING TECHNIQUE. IT'S THE SAME AS HOW YOU LIN THREW ALEX THE OTHER TIME.
WHY DIDN'T SHE GIVE THIS FELLOW A SHOULDER THROW*?
JUST GIVE HIM A KICK!
EVEN IF YOU LIN DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MUSIC,
SHE ONLY WANTS TO CARE ABOUT YOU!
YOU HAVE HURT HER FEELINGS AGAIN
As for love.
I just ..
don't want her to worry ..
I m still struggling to show my true feelings...

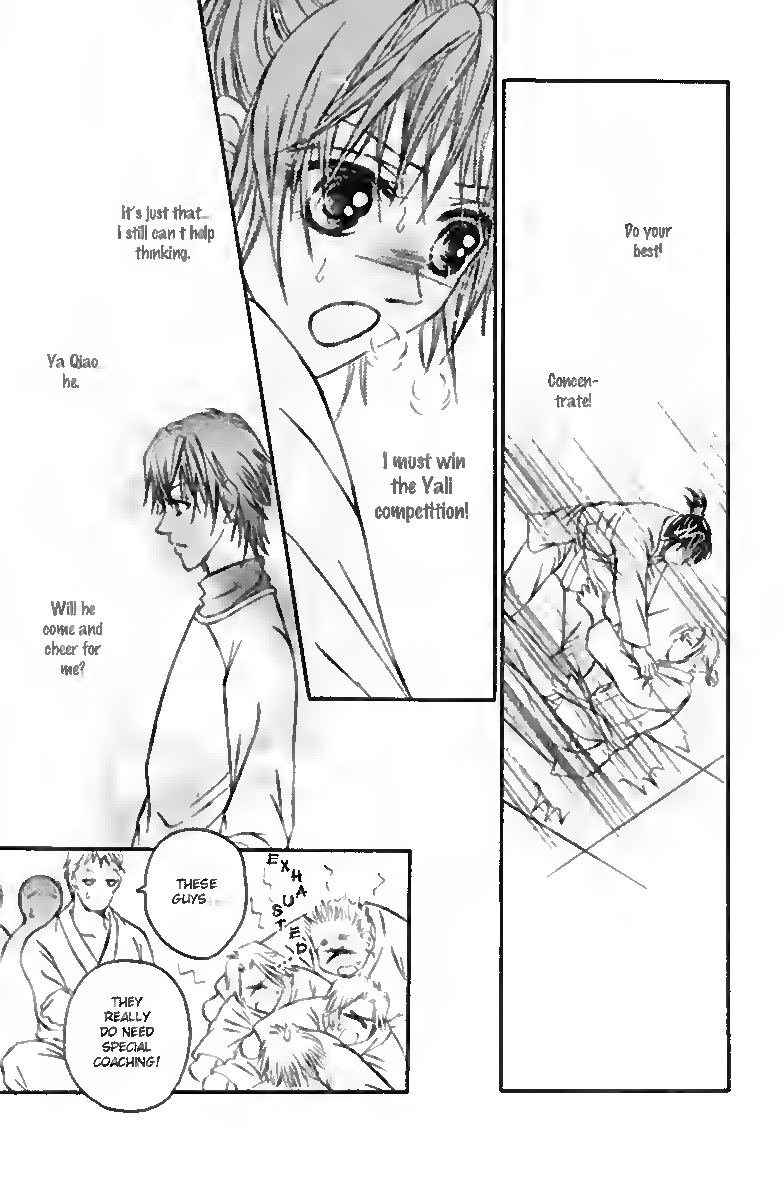
This is just like the first time I saw Ya Qiao and An Lu Xue Jie performing together...
From that time I already knew
that the distance between us was big
WELCOME, YOU GUYS, TO OUR JUDO CLUB'S DOJO!
I'M THE COACH HERE!
SO THIS IS THE PRIVATE DOJO...
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME HERE
The place is the same as at school

TAI OTOSHI!!
***
*** BODY DROP, A HAND THROWING TECHNIQUE IN JUDO
HA!!
* SPRING HIP THROW, ONE OF THE HIP THROWING TECHNIQUES IN JUDO
HANE GOSHI!
*
SEOI OTOSHI!
**
** KNEELING SHOULDER DROP, A HAND THROWING TECHNIQUE IN JUDO
XUE JIE ALSO SEEMS DIFFERENT WHEN SHE'S TRAINING HERE!
They are all at the level of commentators.
EVERYBODY'S SO INCREDIBLE...
AREN'T YOU GUYS...
ALL MEMBERS OF THE KEELIN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL JUDO CLUB?



Special care?
GO AND PREPARE FOR WARM UPS NOW!
100 PUSH-UPS!
AND PRACTICE ON BACKWARD ROLLS AND SIDEWAYS FALLS!*
Do your best! My little lambs!
Save us! Save us!
I want to go home!

*BACKWARD ROLL AND SIDEWAYS FALL IS TWO OF JUDO WAZA'S


It's just that... I still can't help thinking.
Ya Qiao he.
I must win the Yali competition!
Will he come and cheer for me?
Do your best!
Concentrate!
THESE GUYS...
EXHAUSTED
THEY REALLY DO NEED SPECIAL COACHING!

Because I'm your girlfriend
that's why I want to care more about you!
And here you are saying that I'm a busy-body
Why is it that you won't tell me about your stuff!
I have to tell her everything?
I don't understand what she's angry about Truly, girls are hard to understand.

I WILL STAY AND HELP YOU GUYS TODAY
NOBODY IS ALLOWED TO MAKE ANY MISTAKES!
YOU'RE ONLY ALLOWED TO GO HOME UNTIL THERE'S NO PROBLEM AT ALL!
Eep
YES...

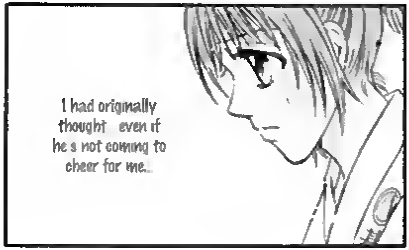
YAN TONG XUE
PLEASE STAY AND HELP US TODAY AS WELL...

HE CANNOT! PRESIDENT!
PRINCE XIAO QIAO NEEDS TO GO HOME ON TIME!
Just like a good daddy!

SHOCK!

Is he still angry with me?
No calls..
No messages
That's right! The concert ticket!
On the day of the concert,
I will go and cheer for him!
Eh?

This day...!
ALEX tour concert
200X/XX/XX
IS THE SAME DAY AS YOU LIN'S TOURNAMENT
ALEX IS REALLY GOOD AT CHOOSING THE DAY!



*IT'S A FORM OF SALUTE FOR JUDO

would be on the same day!
that the concert..
But I didn't think..
and the Yali Judo Tourna-ment
To the both of us,
that is a very important day
Yet we can't be there beside each other...
This is really disappointing

Now's the important simulation competition practice!
I actually lost my concentration during training!
Ah!

基林柔道
STEP BACK!
QU YOU LIN!

QU YOU LIN XUE JIE!
My hand...
It hurts!

The Finale
A special encouragement

YOU LIN XUE JIE!
My hand...
SORRY TO MAKE YOU WORRY ...
I'M FINE
I JUST TWISTED MY HAND

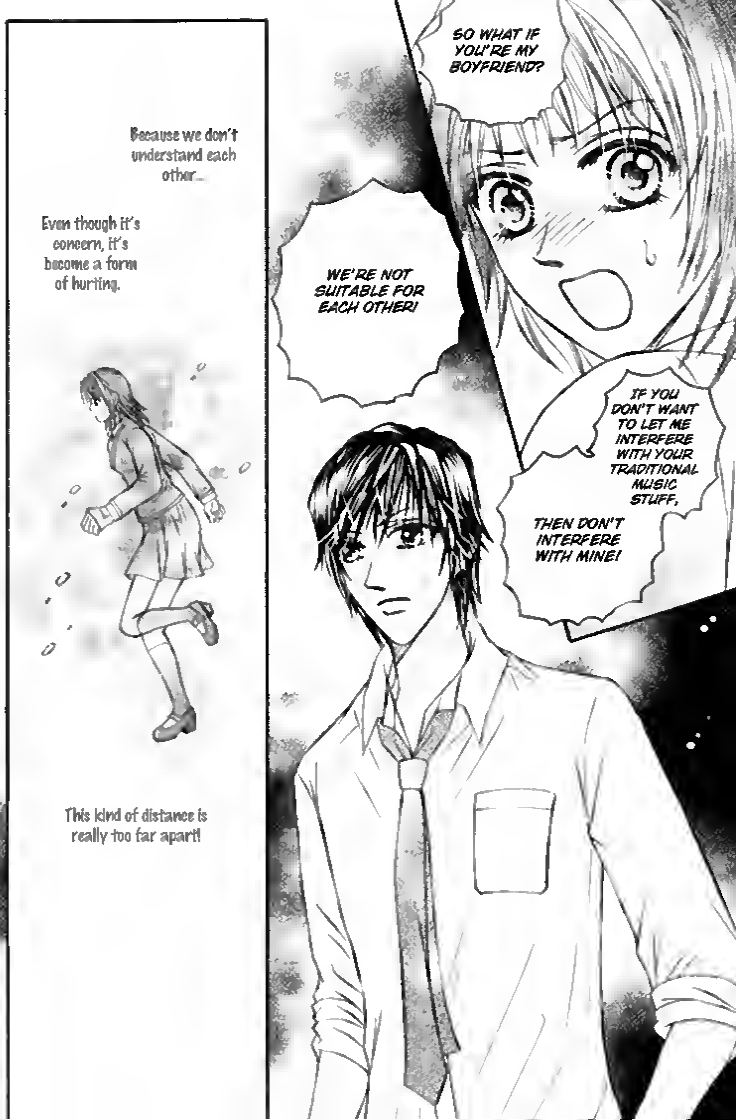
I'm too careless...
Sigh...
IT'S BECAUSE I'M NOT USED TO THE ENVI-RONMENT, AND I LOST CON-CENTRATION...
I'LL BE CAREFUL DURING THE TOURNA-MENT!
BUT THE TOURNAMENT
AND WORK HARD FOR THE TOURNAMENT
I WILL CONTINUE WITH THE TRAINING,
I HAD AN EVEN MORE SERIOUS INJURY BEFORE
DON'T WORRY,
IT'S BETTER NOT TO FORCE YOURSELF!
YOU LIN XUE JIE

WELCOME BACK, YOU LIN!
THANKS!
FROM TODAY ONWARDS, I'LL BE STUDYING HERE AGAIN!
WELCOME BACK!
NOW YOU AND PRINCE XIAO QIAO CAN HAVE LESSONS TOGETHER
YOU MUST BE REALLY HAPPY!
YOU GUYS...
WE HAVE SPECIALLY ARRANGED YOUR SEATING!
WE LET YOU SIT BESIDE HIM DURING LESSONS!
DON'T... DON'T DO THAT!
He came early this morning...
Monitor I'm going to traditional music class to practise.
Okay
I bet he's ignoring me...
After I left the Record Company, he hasn't gotten in contact with me.

Now that I can see him everyday in school..
It feels kind of awkward
EH?
Ya Qiao...
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR HAND?
THIS... I ACCIDENTALLY INJURED MYSELF.
HOW ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT?
I'LL STILL GO TO THE TOURNAMENT
I JUST NEED TO BE A BIT MORE CAREFUL

So he...
still cares about me.
EH?
WITHDRAW FROM THE TOURNAMENT!
WHAT'S THE USE OF YOU BEING CAREFUL? THE OPPONENT WILL GET YOUR WEAKNESS!
I'LL AVOID THAT!
THAT... I'LL BE CAREFUL
YOU'RE ALREADY LIKE THIS, WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU GET INJURED AGAIN IN THE TOURNAMENT?

THERE ARE STILL A LOT OF CHANCES FOR YOU TO ENTER THE TOURNAMENT!
THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT TOURNAMENT!
IT MEANS A LOT...
BESIDES I WANT TO REPRESENT KEELIN JUDO,
YOUR OLD HABIT AGAIN
HABIT?
YOU'RE GETTING DETERMINED OVER SOMEBODY ELSE'S ODD REASON!
IT'S NOT ODD!
IT'S MY DECISION TO ENTER THE YALI JUDO TOURNAMENT!
I'M JUST REPRESENTING KEELIN JUDO THAT'S ALL!
Stupid things?
THOSE STUPID THINGS THAT YOU'VE DONE FOR THE JUDO CLUB, AREN'T THEY NOT ENOUGH?
IT'S BECAUSE I'M YOUR BOYFRIEND, THAT'S WHY I'M SAYING THIS!


Because we don't understand each other...
Even though it's concern, it's become a form of hurting.
This kind of distance is really too far apart!
SO WHAT IF YOU'RE MY BOYFRIEND?
WE'RE NOT SUITABLE FOR EACH OTHER!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO LET ME INTERFERE WITH YOUR TRADITIONAL MUSIC STUFF,
THEN DON'T INTERFERE WITH MINE!

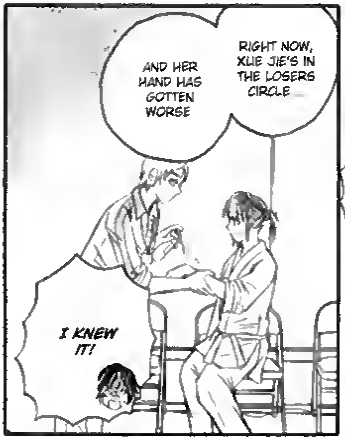
Finally...
The day of the competition is here.
200X
Yali Tournament
Judo Competition
Though there are friends coming over to support me...
Of course she's the champion!
You must definitely win, Yu Lin!
Yue Jie has to go in and warm up now!
The one I hope for couldn't come.

XUE JIE'S HAND... IS IT POSSIBLE FOR HER TO CONTINUE THE TOURNAMENT?
IT'S POSSIBLE...
BUT SHE'S UNLIKELY TO WIN!
HER LEFT HAND CAN'T USE MUCH FORCE...
SO THERE ARE A LOT OF MOVEMENTS SHE CAN'T DO...
I DID ADVISE HER SEVERAL TIMES TO WITHDRAW FROM THE TOURNAMENT...
BUT IF SHE MISSED IT SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET ANOTHER CHANCE TO REPRESENT KEELIN ANYMORE

I know I'm being stubborn.
But this tournament...
THE MATCH BEGINS!
Not only is this my first competition after my comeback to Judo
Keelin Judo club hasn't gotten a gold medal for so many years.
I want to try my best to help.
Damn it... Once I use force on my left hand, it hurts...

So thrilled that he forgot about it
COME ON!
GO YOU LIN!
Xu Han Yuan, that guy
Didn't I ask him to update me on the competition?
It's impossible...
to calm my thoughts...
I DON'T THINK SHE'LL WANT TO ANSWER MY CALL!
JUST GIVE HER A CALL!
ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT YOU LIN'S COMPETITION?

PHONE!
YOU GUYS HAVEN'T MADE UP YET?
SHE SAID WE AREN'T SUITABLE TO BE TOGETHER
WHAT? YOU GOT DUMPED!
DUMPED?
SHE MEANT THAT?
You sure are slow..
HELLO ...
IT'S ME



So it's that kid..

I can only ask him now..

How do I see for myself...
Even if I want to go...
IF YOU RUSH THERE..
YOU CAN GET TO THE SPORTS CENTER IN AN HOUR
SINCE YOU'RE A TRADITIONAL MUSIC GENIUS,
I THINK IT'S FINE FOR YOU TO SKIP THE AFTERNOON REHEARSAL
THANKS! ALEX!
COME BACK AN HOUR BEFORE THE START OF THE CONCERT!
It feels weird for you to thank me.
But you should at least change out of the performing attire.

IF YOU LIN LOSES AGAIN SHE'LL BE ELIMINATED...
HOPE IT WILL BE SMOOTHER DURING THE AFTERNOON COMPETITION
That's too exaggerated
Cosplay?
THAT OUT-STANDING GUY...
EH?
it's all because of my carelessness.
that's why I keep losing
YOU GUYS LET HER REST FIRST,
LET HER BE ALONE FOR A WHILE!

Saying that I'm doing this to represent KeeLin Judo club..
Actually the one who's most concerned about winning...
Is still myself
I really...
don't want to concede defeat

YOU WANT TO BREAK UP WITH ME?
EH?
IF YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE SEEING ME...
IMPOSSI-BLE!
THE PERSON I WISH TO SEE NOW...
IS YOU!
Ya Qiao?

YOU'VE ALREADY LOST TWO CONSECUTIVE MATCHES...
FROM THE LOSER'S CIRCLE, GETTING A GOLD...
YES, AND IF I LOSE AGAIN, I'LL BE ELIMINATED
THERE ARE STILL A LOT OF MATCHES
ALTHOUGH I WANT TO TREAT IT WITH MY NORMAL STATE...
I'M STILL AFRAID
YOU DON'T HAVE TO CARE ABOUT BEING NERVOUS...
BECAUSE OF TONIGHT'S CONCERT, I'M ALSO VERY NERVOUS...
AFTER SEEING YOU,
I FEEL MUCH BETTER NOW.
Ya Qiao... is also nervous?

Is hoping for...
a more special encouragement...
DON'T WORRY! YOU'LL BE FINE!
I'VE SEEN YOU PERFORM MANY TIMES...
IT'LL DEFINITELY BE POPULAR!
WHEN YOU'RE ENCOURAGING OTHERS, THERE'S ALWAYS SPIRIT IN YOU.
BUT I CAME HERE...

I...
NEED TO GO BACK TO PREPARE FOR THE CONCERT
OKAY...
I MAY NOT KNOW JUDO...
AND YOU MAY NOT KNOW TRADITIONAL MUSIC
BUT WE CAN GIVE EACH OTHER ENCOURAGEMENT
AND THAT'S IMPORTANT TO ME

It feels like...
you're here right now cheering for me!
I will do my best!
SO...
DO WELL IN THE COMPETITION!
Ya Qiao...
Your support
is very important to me too
YOU LIN, GET READY!
YES!
WHY IS YOUR FACE SO RED?
ERM.. IT'S NOTHING!

WELCOME ALL!
TO MY CONCERT!

SO HOW'S THE MUSIC TO YOUR EAR?
ALL YOU TEACHERS FROM HUA YI
EVEN IF IT'S POP MUSIC...
IT CAN BRING A NEW AND CREATIVE WAY TO PERFORMING ERHU!

HAVING YAN TONG XUE'S JOINING APPLICATION
WE'LL RECONSIDER.
IT DOESN'T SOUND BAD AT ALL.
YES...
THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK!
SEE YA
WE'LL BE GOING FIRST!
YA QIAO

LUCKILY I MADE IT IN TIME...
AT LEAST I HEARD THE ENCORE
HOW WAS THE COMPETITION?
THAT...
JUST LIKE WHAT THEY SAID...
I SHOULDN'T BE TOO CONCERNED WITH THE RESULTS OF THE COMPETITION
AND I SHOULD BE CHERISHING THE PASSION I HAVE FOR JUDO
THAT'S RIGHT. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE TOO DISAPPOINTED...
YEAH.
I'VE DECIDED TO LISTEN TO THE COACH'S ADVICE...

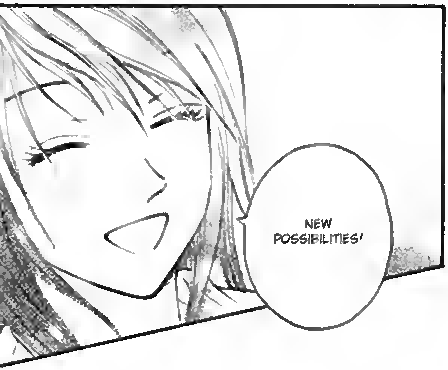
JUST BECAUSE I GOT A GOLD MEDAL,
DOESN'T ME IN THAT I CAN BE TOO PROUD OF IT!
Because we have each other's encouragement,
we've gotten new possibilities.
WHAT!
SO YOU ACTUALLY WON!
HEH HEH!
Because of you, I was getting worried on stage.

And it also let us...
become closer...
We did our best...
After that.. We went back to our respective schools
The beginning of a new start

2 years later
WOW! I REALLY MISS THE SCHOOL GATE!
KeeLin Senior
I FEEL NOTHING
SO YOU DON'T MISS KEELEE GIRLS' HIGH? PRINCE XIAO QIAO?
STOP CALLING ME PRINCE!
AH! IT'S THE CLASSROOM AND PARADE SQUARE.
GO TO THE JUDO CLUB FIRST!
A warm welcome!
Ya Qiao Xue Zhang! You Lin Xue Jie!

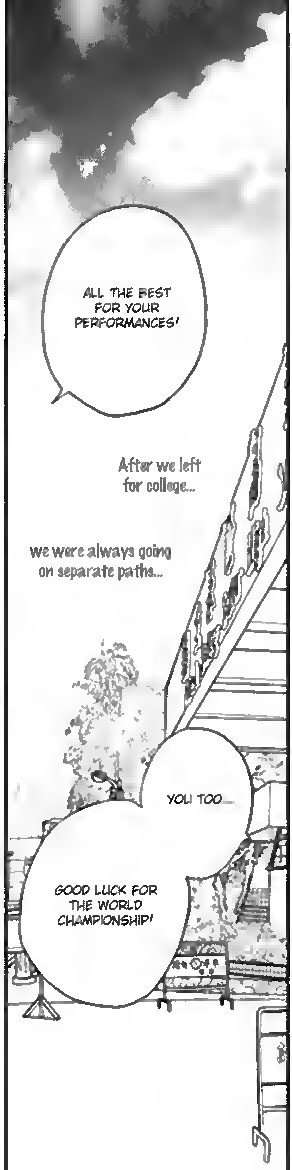
IT'S BEEN AWHILE!
XIAO RUI!
YOU'VE BECOME THE CLUB PRESIDENT, CONGRATULATIONS!
THANKS FOR FINDING THE TIME TO COME DOWN AND TRAIN US
Wow!
Xiao Rui Yue Zhang!
BECAUSE THE JUDO CLUB IS OPEN TO THE OUTSIDE,
Look over here!
THERE ARE A LOT OF MEMBERS FROM OTHER SCHOOLS
This s what I spec al about Xiao Rui
Both boys and girls love him.
IT'S ALL THANKS TO XUE JIE FOR WINNING THE YALI TOURNAMENT FOR US
THAT'S WHY OUR JUDO CLUB IS GETTING POPULAR!
I TOO, WANT TO GET READY FOR THE YALI TOURNAMENT,
SO THAT I CAN GET INTO THE SAME SPORTS UNIVERSITY AS XUE JIE!
Why do you have to say it to me?

I HEARD ALEX HAS ARRANGED TO PERFORM WITH AN LU FOR THE NEW ALBUM
REALLY?
BECAUSE AN LU KEPT INSISTING
Whatever she wants to do it will definitely be done.
BUT I HEARD AH ZHONG XUE ZHANG GRADUATED, AND BECAME A SUMO WRESTLER!
AND THAT THE DONG XI TWINS ARE STILL IN THE JUDO CLUB.
Or are they still treating the place as a resting area?
I DIDN'T THINK THAT XIAO RUI WOULD'VE IMPROVED THAT MUCH!
IT SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM FOR HIM TO ENTER THE YALI TOURNAMENT!
WHAT A PITY... IN ONE YEAR...
WE ONLY GET TO SEE EACH OTHER FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS!
THAT'S RIGHT
NEXT WEEK I'M GOING TO PERFORM OVERSEAS WITH HUA YI FOR A MONTH.
OH YEAH.
I TOO, FORGOT TO TELL YOU.
BECAUSE OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT, I NEED TO GO TO TSUYING FOR EXTREME TRAINING FOR TWO MONTHS



But...

we both knew...


ALL THE BEST FOR YOUR PERFORMANCES!
After we left for college...
we were always going on separate paths...
YOU TOO...
GOOD LUCK FOR THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP!

Our love
was never
separated
《 end 》

yi huan after release part 1

Congratulations! Close to my sweetheart has successfully come to an end!
THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU FOR READING THE FINAL VOLUME OF CLOSE TO MY SWEETHEART!
PLEASE CONTINUE TO GIVE US YOUR BLESSINGS FOR OUR LOVE STORY!

The editor for this current work
YI HUAN IS PREPARING FOR THE NEXT RELEASE!
SHOULD BE!
DUE TO HER... OH CURRENT SITUATION I GUESS WE HAVE TO DELAY THE DRAWINGS

HER EYES ARE SORE AND SITTING THERE LIKE A STATUE NOT MOVING AT ALL. TUANYI'S BECOMING BIGGER TOO
AS THE EDITOR, I'M GETTING WORRIED...
WAS WHAT HAPPENED?

THAT EDITOR DOESN'T LIKE HER.
THAT'S BECAUSE SHE WATCHES TOO MUCH TV AND EATS TOO MUCH.
A pile of snacks
A stack of books
Actually it's because it's hard having a break, so I've been eating and drinking.

yi huan after release part 2

BUT HER PERSONALITY JUST SUDDENLY CHANGED TOO
SO SHE SHOULD HAVE SOME REST!
BUT SHE JUST FINISHED TWO CONSECUTIVE STORIES,

I WONDER IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO SHE SHOULD CALL THE DOCTOR OR NOT...
SHE'S EVEN TAKING SHARP THINGS AND TURNING ALL THE THINGS SHE SAW INTO A THOUSAND PIECES.
AND EVERY NIGHT AT HER HOUSE THERE ARE SOUNDS OF MACHINES MINCING THINGS THE SCARY 'KA KA KA' SOUND

MUST BE BECAUSE OF THE LATE SUBMISSION OF THE DRAFTS!
SHE MUST HAVE OFFENDED THE EDITOR...
SOMEONE, COME AND TEACH ME HOW TO USE THIS SEWING MACHINE!
Sewing Machine
Recently, I wanted to get some forums, but who even the sewing machine is. Anyone more advance, so I don't really know how to use it.

Happy Halloween
from Esthetique
2013

One day in the wonderful world of the Esthetique Realm, a single brave soul approached our admins with the most horrible news ever
Shekyl Proofreader
Whisper
Whisper
Whisper
Rayn Translator
Kuhr
Kitsune Admin
FROZEN
Rose? Did you hear me?
WOBBLE
Oh, crap!
Kitsune-sama! Are you OK?
BONK!
What could've been so bad as to render all of our admins totally unconcious?
Was it a worldwide shortage of manga? Did Shoujo manga cease to exist?
Oh, no! It was something much more sinister
STAFF SHORT-AGES!
SNAP!
HUGE PILES OF TRANSLATED CHAPTERS...
SPREAD THE NEWS, WE NEED NEW EDITORS AND QC-ERS STAT!
If you think you've got what it takes, contact us at esthetiquestaff@gmail.com.